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# JAPS TO MOVE ON NIUCHWANG

Report Current in Russian Capital That Transports Have Landed Large Force Near the Manchurian City.

COSSACKS HAVE FIERCE FIGHT WITH BRIGANDS ON RAILROAD

Seventy-four Chunchusez Slain After Half an Hour's Battle---St. Petersburg Gold Reserve Shows Heavy Decline.

LONDON, April 20.-The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Central News wires that a report is current in the Russian capital that the Japanese have landed in force near Niuchwang.

The Central News has received a dispatch from its Tokyo correspondent stating that a telegram received there reports that thirty-five Cossacks arrived at Syong-Chin, on the east coast of Korea, yesterday, and burned the Japanese houses in the city.

### COSSACKS AND BRIGANDS FIGHT.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 20.-Word reached here today of a fight between Russian Cossacks and Chunchusez, thirty verts from Imyanpo station, on the Eastern Railway.

The fight, which was a fierce one while it lasted, was over in half an hour. Seventy-four of the brigands were slain, while the Cossacks escaped with two wounded.

A statement issued today by the banking department showed that the government bank gold reserve had fallen over 4,000,000 pounds during the month of March. Silver fell over 300,000 pounds in the same period, and deposit accounts, 500,000 pounds.

# Grand Duke Cyril Tells Story of His Escape

LONDON. April 20—A dispatch to the "Jadly Mail" from Harbin says that Grand Duke Cyril, who was wounded in the explosion that sank the Petropavlovsk, has arrived there on the way to St. Petersburg. His injuries are not severe. His neck and ears are burned and his back and loins bruised by the buffeting he received when he went overboard.

The grand duke says that he was at one end of the bridge of the battleship and Admiral Makaroff at the other when it suddenly seemed as though the world, the sky, and sea had been rent resunder, and from the guif arose a devouring cloud of fame, which burst with a deafening roar into suffocating fumes.

Aithough he was scorched, blinded, choked, and stunned, the grand duke recovered consciousness sufficiently to incognize that the Petropavlovsk has actied down by the head and bodies were floating off from the forecastic, which was awash. Around lay the wreckage of the warship's tophamper.

Scalding steam cut off escape by the companionway. He faintly remembers

## ADMIRAL SKRYDLOFF WILL MAKE NO SORTIES FROM PORT ARTHUR

ST. PETERSBURG. April 20.—Admiral Skrydloff, the new commander of the Russian naval forces in the Far East, in an interview has stated that he will profit by Admiral Makraoff's experience. He says he will make no sorties from Port Arthur harbor, as the squadron there is too much reduced since the loss of the Petropavlovsk to run any further risks. He will zealously protect his ships, reserving thera for a better opportunity.

The report that Viceroy Alexieff has telegraphed to the Czar asking to be relieved of his duties in the Far East is persistently current again this morning.

## HUNT, OF PORTO RICO, CALLS AT WHITE HOUSE GLASGOW, April 20.—The University of Glasgow has conferred the degree of LL.D. on Ambassador Choate.

The governor is looking rather thin. and is bronzed with the sun of the tropics. He held an informal levee in 9 a m. President's office. He has not yet hand- 2 p. m. the antercom on coming out from the ed in his resignation, and will return to Porto Rico before surrendering office, to accept the position of judge of the Mon-Sun rises tomorrow..... tana district court, to which he has been tana district court, to which he has been appointed by the President. On leaving the White House he called upon Secretury Taft.

### GLASGOW UNIVERSITY HONORS MR. CHOATE

Ouestion of His Successor Tentatively
Discussed With the
President.

It is much colder in the Ohio Valley, the lower lake region, the middle Atlantic States, New England, Tennessee, and North Carolina, the temperatures this morning being as low as at any previous time during the month. In the great portion of the was at the White House Commissioner Degatau also called, and the matter of a successor to Governor Hunt was tentatively discussed. It is known that the recommendation of Governor Hunt will have great influence in the selecting of his successor, and the President requested that he call shortly and take the matter up with him.

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TEMPERATURE.

THE SUN.

# LAYING THE MEMORIAL HALL CORNERSTONE.



Mrs. Fairbanks, President General of the Daughters of the American Revolution, signaling the children at the conclusion of her speech to sing the "Star-Spangled Banner."

# DISCOURAGED, SAYS MR. STARR

Fears for the Aged Government Emp'oyes.

LIKELY TO BE HELD UP

Declares Report on Service Pension Bill

Senate. In support of this he quotes the opinion of Senator Perkins, chairman of the Senate Committee on Civil Service and Retrenenment, as printed in The Timer symposium on this subject. Senator Perkins said in part:

"It would be the part of wisdom for this Government to adopt a system of retirement on pension, subject to the restrictions of good behavior, etc. The gain to the character of the personnel would be almost incalculable.

## Prompt Action Needed.

"It is inconsistent," says Mr. Starr, "with the best impulses of the American people, and with the treatment accorded by other civilized nations to their

"It is further, at variance with the

### SPANISH WAR VETERANS HAVE CONSOLIDATED

INDIANAPOLIS, April 20 .- The Span ish-American War organizations have been consolidated, the new organization having a membership of 125,000.

# CONGRESS OF D. A. R. A UNIQUE ASSEMBLY

Many Ludicrous Sights and Peculiar Parlia- house where that Individual made his in the Church mentary Combinations Mark Spirited Proceedings of Morning Session.

ussion of amendments to the constiand the delegate who did not have individual views apart and differ ent from those held by all the other delegates has not yet been found. And they expressed their views:

## Heroic Combatants.

Every time a speaker paused to tak long breath and renew the attack, me other delegate seized the oppor

are all right. In selecting delegates the A feminine feature of the vote was

was allowed to enter the all at all was a mystery.

On the stage there was a vision in a purple shirtwaist, with bown skirt and a hat with blue and whie things who was reported to be sinie. How she has escaped marriage so ong is a onestion that will probably niver be so defermed to the eye, while the earwas taking in the sarcastic comments which the delegates exchanged among themselves.

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## Mrs. Richards Pesides.

sition. The decisions of he chair were sition. The decisions of he chair were senerally well received, a far as could short, there arose an excited conversa-

that the speake's appeard to roll the sounding names around their tongues with great satisfaction.

"Madam president general," "Madam vice president general," 'adadam recording secretary general,' and similar names were poured form with much unction, and the delegats visibly stiffened up at each repetion of the distinguished titles which tey had helped to confer.

woices were characteristically those of a woman, but there was one delegate in particular whose utterances resembled those of a man in a well, and were so decidedly bass in their pitch that those around her at first thought it was a man speaking.

Errors in Debate.

While the delegates were downstairs

## Poor Parliamentrian.

As for parliamentary aw the dele ase of over-training. Thy had studied

"Brrr-buzz-that's just-she's entirely out of-what in the world can she be think-our State is unalterably opposed-it's nothing but gag -"

No, gentle reader, it is not a case of | lawyer, they could offer theoretical obcrossed telephone wheel it is the conjections to most anything that came gress of the Daughters of the American along. 'Roberts' Rules of Order' is Revolution in session at Chase'. The the guiding principle of the congress in The session was opened it smorning to speakers vouchsafed the opin by the singing of the "Star-Spangled the congress should rise about was about the only harmony of the song petty shackles and starting principle of the congress. petty shackles and establish a law unto itself. This met with great approval

from the adherents of the delegate makink the remark, but was frowned upon by the presiding officeress, who was oposed to such anarchistic proceedings. One thing the parliamentarians had learned well and knew how to use with great force was the motion to table amendments to the constitution. The Calvin Cobb, of Boise, Haho, both Gentlement of the "Salt Lake and Calvin Cobb, of Boise, Haho, both Gentlement of the "Salt Lake and Calvin Cobb, of Boise, Haho, both Gentlement of the "Salt Lake and Calvin Cobb, of Boise, Haho, both Gentlement of the "Salt Lake and Calvin Cobb, of Boise, Haho, both Gentlement of the "Salt Lake and Calvin Cobb, of Boise, Haho, both Gentlement of the "Salt Lake" and "Salt Lake were getting their wind for a charge a mittee room, in the rear of Attorney wise opponent moved that the amendment go on the table. Before the other organizations fighting Senator Smoot.

ment to plunge into an heroic discussion of the pross and come of the delegates anxious side was awake the motion was carried, although some of the delegates anxious the first determination and unalter able courage of the "old cripinais" who are made such a record at Valley Forge made such as a forget not be turned out, the question calls for brave and prompt action. I believe the people of the United States, when in formed, will indorse as heartly as I do the pension retirement system."

Mr. Starr says that the greatest distress caused by the action of the committee is among the aged employes, who are at cr above the age limit set in the report, and who see themselves in imminent dunger of dismissal, with no provision for their future support, should the report be adopted. He is quite vigorous in criticising the attitude of the Not Like Americans

Was beauty ine might do "young and pretty." As she in genuine Congressional speech heasty action in amending the constitution, the seven male present, stopped twisting their net follow the movements of the usher paid strict attention to the rem Had the men had the power of decitive and the other four male victims present.

Pages All Right.

Also, it should be mentiored, the pages are all right. In selecting delegates the committee.

Not Like Americans

Not Like Americans

D. A. R. is shy on beaut, but when it that some of the delegates had cheercomes to pages it is there with the fully voted on both sides. This wa goods. One page with aburn hair, a white shirtwaist and a bown skirt was strenuously denied. Connecticut, up in the gaftery, was especially anxious to have the congress believe that its delements of the congress of the congress believe that its delements of the congress believe that its delements of the congress believe that its delements of the congress of the congress believe that its delements of the congress of the congr

## Mrs. McLean Applauded.

Mrs. Donald McLean, of New York.

generally well received, a far as could be observed, and if thedelegates had any kicks coming the made them quietly among themselve.

The D. 5, R. is not leking in titles for its officers, and it has noticeable that the speakers appeared to roll the sounding names around their tongues with great satisfaction.

short, there arose an excited conversation that filled the hall with very much the same effect as the sounds of a busy street when heard from a twelfth story window. By far the greater number of voices were characteristically those of a woman, but there was one delegate in with great satisfaction.

While the delegates were downstairs arguing and getting mixed in their voting, the alternates in the balcony were telling one another how much better gates seemed to be surring from a they could run the congress, and point-

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# ROBERTS DEFIES LAWS OF STATE

Testifies as Witness in Smoot Investigation Describing Break With Church Upon Going Into Politics in 1894.

KEPT HIS THIRD MARRIAGE A SECRET FOR FIVE YEARS

Excuses Violation of Law on Ground of Satisfied Conscience-Believes Right to Plural Wives Higher Than Law.

"Are you not, then, violating the laws of God and man by living in polygamous cohabitation at the present time," inquired Chairman Burrows of Brigham H. Roberts, the first witness called today on the resuming of the Smoot investigation by the Senate Committee on Privi-

"Yes, I suppose so," was the witness' casual response.

secret came out, but no punishment or ever reprimand was visited by the church or anyone concerned.

### Opening the Hearing.

The committee was called to order at following attendance: Senators Pettus, Hopkins, Depew, Beveridge, Dubois, Bailey, Overman and Burrows, chair-man; John G. Carlisle, and Robert W. Tayler, attorneys for the remonstrants; Augustus S. Worthington and Waldemar Van Cott. attorneys for Senator Smoot; Franklin S. Richards, attorney for the Mormon Church; Senator Smoot and his

Secretary C. E. Badger.

The witnesses present were Brigham H. Roberts, the charch elder who was sent by Utah to the House of Representatives and denied a seat there through the efforts of Representative Tayler, as attorney for the many organizations opposing Roberts; Angus Cannon, president of the "Salt Lake amendments to the constitution. The Calvin Cobb, of Boise, Idaho, both Geneighth amendment was brought up first tiles. About fifteen women in fashionhis morning, and while its supporters able attire sat on one side of the com

been abrogated. He was told it had. Chairman Burrows asked from whom had inquired, and witness replied;

he had inquired, and witness replied:
"President Smith."

Witness described incidents following in the campaign, the controversy which are not on the point whether officials of the flurrer ought to seek political places which would take them away from their church inties, and the general disturbance of pablic opinion by the discussion. Finally the convention was reconvened. Mr. Roberts was in the convertion and spoke there. He denied he had shown any bitterness, but said he had spoken "vigorously and earnestly" against the church's interference, and that the high officials of the church's spoke likewise against him.

Trouble With Church

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The recalcitrancy of Roberts was afterward taken up by the church, witnes said. They took the position that his Mrs. Richards Pisides.

Mrs. Fairbanks did no do much of the presiding this morning, as she is in bad health. She turned ver the active control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the decisions of he chair were the control to the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the decisions of he chair were the control to the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the decisions of he chair were the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the decisions of he chair were the control to Mrs. Donald McLean, of New Tork, attitude had missiphed derivations and they wanted to reach an understanding. They said the preamble of a declaration made in the campaign, as the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the control to Mrs. Richard, whose high-pitched voice was well sted to the po-the control to Mrs. Richard was a second to the product of the product was a second to the product with the product was a second to the product was a second to the p

church. Passing to the question of polygamy, Mr. Tayler said he presumed "all intelligent men" in Utah knew of the various laws of the land and of the State as to polygamy, and witness replied in the affirmative. The manifesto of President Woodruff was briefly discussed by attorney and witness to show the witness' knowledge to its confents.

## Roberts' Three Wives.

Witness said he had been married to Witness said he had been married to his first wife in 1877, to the second in 1886, and to his third wife in 1890. All took place in Sait Lake City. His first wife's name was Smith, the second wife's name was Smith, the second tions urging miner bil's. riage, in April, 1890, there were no wit-

"Yes, I suppose so," "Mas the witness' casual response."

Following the line of the testimony given by President Joseph F. Smith, head of the Mormon Church, six weeks ago, Mr. Roberts coolly admitted his defiance of both church and state law, and pleaded the same excuse his spiritual chief had given.

In contrast to the testimony of President Smith as to his own acts, however, Roberts today told of having married a third wife, who for years continued to go by the name of her former husband, and continued to live in the house where that individual made his bome in Salt Lake City. At last the

Senator Overmen and Chairman Burrows asked whether his first two wives knew of his marriage to the third wife,

knew of his marriage to the third vife.

Mrs. Shipp. Witness said they did not.

Witness admitted this third marriage was an illegal one, and that he knew it at the time it was contracted. He did not know when his other wives heard of the third marriage, but he thought the information had not reached them for several years.

Witness said he had concealed the third marriage from his other wives in order to relieve them from any "embarrosement." Asked by Chairman Burrows at to what he meant by this, witness said he thought it would have been allosgreeable to them to testify against him if legal proceedings had followed.

Mrs. Shipp was a practicing physician in Sait Lake, the divorced wife of a Mormon. Having been Shipp's plural wife, she was divorced from him by the church, but not by any legal process.

Witness visited Mrs. Shipp at the home of mutual friends, never at her own place of residence.

Marriage Kept Secret.

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Roberts' marriage to Mrs. Shipp was ly after the marriage, but not publicly herself Mrs. Maggie Shipp, and witness never referred to her openly as his wife

A.-I am.
Q-Then you are living in defiance of both the laws of God and man?
A-I do not wish to appear in defiance of the law, but I had to follow the dic-

utes of my own conscience.

Q-The manifesto was the law of the church, was it not?

A-Yes.

Q-And you violated it?

A-Yes. Q-And you also violated the law of the

A-Yes.
Q-Then you are actually defying the laws of both Church and State?
A-Yes, I suppose so.
At this point the committee adjourned until 2 o'clock.

### WHAT POSTMASTERS ARE LIVING IN FOLYGAMY?

In the Senate this afternoon Mr. Dubois submitted the following resolution, which was considered by unanimous consent, and agreed to: "Resolved, That the Postmaster General be, and he is hereby, directed to ascertain as far as possible and report to the Senate what, if any, postmasters in Idaho are living in polygamy."

### MORE PROTESTS FILED AGAINST SUNDAY LAW

Sunday closing law were presented in the Senate this afternoon by Mr. Gallinger from Leftwich Sinclair, W. W. Prescott, and five others; A. G. Daniels

COMMITTEE FAVORS TREATY. At the time of this third marriage Darriel H. Wells was "sustained" as a mittee today favorably reported to the counsel or to the twelve apostles, witness Senate the Cuban extradition treaty. The Senate Foreign Relations Com-